

**Residential Study Group (RSG)**  
**August 8, 2018**  
**9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**  
**Arlington Town Hall, First Floor Conference Room**  
**MEETING SUMMARY**

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Attendees: Andrew Bunnell, Mike Byrne, Mike Ciampa, Wynelle Evans, Pat Hanlon, Steve McKenna, Pasi Miettinen, Elizabeth Pyle, Jenny Raitt, Erin Zwirko

Guests: Jo Anne Preston, Wendy Richter

Jenny opened the meeting and noted that the draft survey is not available. When reviewing the questions that were asked in 2016, she determined that the survey needs to go in a different direction. She reiterated that there was discussion to survey builders, homebuyers, abutters, and neighborhood groups. Liz noted that Jo Anne Preston has some expertise in survey design. Jenny indicated that the staff would coordinate with her at the point where it is ready to be reviewed.

Erin provided an update of the data collection. She also provided a response to a question from the last meeting about the age of structures as it relates to the Town Meeting charge regarding demolition delay. With the assistance of the GIS Director, Erin provided handouts that tabulated the number of structures built in 10-year cohorts. Liz asked for an accounting of how many structures may be captured for a 50-, 75-, and 100-year period. Jenny also suggested adding the architectural style of the period. Erin will also share the David Fields graphic from the master plan via email, and update it to the current year.

Pat noted that there should be two issues under consideration: addressing new construction as a proxy for other adverse impacts and the administrative burden caused by demolition delay bylaws.

Pasi asked if substantial renovation changes the date of construction in the Assessor's records. It does not.

Steve noted that the information is compelling and says something about lifestyle changes. He asked what the unintended consequences of establishing a demolition delay that captures more structures.

There was also some discussion about a building moratorium.

The RSG then discussed the site visits to be scheduled. In 2016, the group visited 96 Oakland, 62 Kensington Park, and 9-11 Park Street. Mike Byrne suggested that it may be premature to identify a list at this moment. Steve suggested that rather than visiting individual homes, the group could visit areas of the community. He suggested specifically around the Dallin School. Liz agreed, and suggested looking at Park Street for a neighborhood that has seen previous

development and the Webcowet neighborhood for an area that is in the throes of development. Other examples that were suggested include Kelwyn Manor, Epping Street area, Morningside, Arnold Street, among others.

Once a few areas are settled on, Steve suggested that he could pull before photos from the MLS. Jenny and Erin agreed that would be helpful, and will follow up on an itinerary and handouts.

The group revised their upcoming meeting schedule. The August 22 meeting will be cancelled due to absences. The September 17 meeting will be rescheduled to September 18 at 8:30am. The tours will take place on October 5.

On the minutes from the July 26, 2018 meeting, Wynelle made a motion to accept the meeting summary. Liz seconded. All those in attendance voted in favor of approval.

Pasi asked to defer his agenda item regarding energy efficient homes to the next meeting.

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